

JUDGE JONES

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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SHAKTI TOWAGE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

MLC OFFSHORE PTE. LTD. and MLC MARINE  
 PTE. LTD.,

Defendants.

**UNGER AFFIDAVIT  
 PURSUANT TO RULE B(1)  
 AND  
 IN SUPPORT OF ORDER  
 APPOINTING PERSON TO  
 SERVE PROCESS  
 PURSUANT TO RULE 4(c)  
 AND CONCERNING THE  
SCOPE OF SERVICE**

State of New York )  
 ) ss.:  
 County of New York )

MICHAEL E. UNGER, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1. I am a member of the Bar of the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, admitted to practice before this Court and I am a member of the law firm of Freehill Hogan & Maher, LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff herein.

2. This Affidavit is submitted pursuant to Supplemental Rule B of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (see paragraphs 3-4, below) and in support of Plaintiff's application pursuant to Rule 4(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (see paragraphs 5-9, below).

3. Deponent has made an investigation and deponent believes that based upon the results of this investigation, that Defendants MLC OFFSHORE PTE. LTD. and MLC MARINE PTE. LTD. are corporations or other business entities that cannot be "found" within this District for

the purpose of an attachment under Rule B. In support of this position, deponent has conducted the following investigation:

- (a) Deponent contacted the office of the New York Department of State, Division of Corporations on July 6, 2007, via the official Department of State website at <http://www.dos.state.ny.us> and conducted a search for the Defendants and the search results indicated that the Defendants are not New York corporations, nor are they licensed, authorized or registered to do business in the State of New York as either domestic or international corporations;
- (b) Deponent consulted with Directory Assistance for New York on July 6, 2007 for area codes (212), (347), (718), (917), (646), (914), and (845) and no listing for either Defendant was located;
- (c) Deponent reviewed the Journal of Commerce (Business Directory) Transportation Telephone Tickler, 2007 Edition (Vol. 1 New York Metropolitan Area) and no listing was found for either Defendant;
- (d) Deponent accessed on July 6, 2007, through Microsoft Internet Explorer and the Yahoo! search engine the yellow pages telephone directory database and found no listing in that database for any offices or agents of either Defendant within this district;
- (e) Deponent located a website address for Defendants MLC MARINE PTE. LTD. and MLC OFFSHORE PTE. LTD., [www.bargeworld.com](http://www.bargeworld.com), and reviewed such website, and upon such review, concluded that the website contains no indication of an office or any other presence within this District of the Defendants;

(g) Deponent is unaware of any general or managing agent(s) within this District for either Defendant.

4. Based upon the foregoing, your deponent submits that the Defendants cannot be "found" within this District for the purpose of an attachment pursuant to Rule B and seeks an order of attachment against such tangible and intangible property of the Defendants as may be found within this District up to and including the amount of the claim as specified in the Verified Complaint.

5. Plaintiff also applies, pursuant to Rule 4(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for an Order appointing myself, Lawrence J. Kahn, Manuel A. Molina, Jan P. Gisholt, Eric Matheson, Robert Ridenour, Joan Sorrentino, Christina Gargano, or any other partner, associate, paralegal or other agent of Freehill Hogan & Maher LLP, in addition to the United States Marshal, to serve the Process of Attachment and Garnishment issued pursuant to FRCP Supplemental Rule B upon the named garnishee(s) as well as any other garnishee(s) who (based upon information developed subsequent hereto) may hold assets of, for, or on behalf of either Defendant.

6. Plaintiff is desirous of serving the Process of Attachment and Garnishment on the garnishee(s) with all deliberate speed so that it will be fully protected against the possibility of not being able to satisfy a judgment that may ultimately be entered by Plaintiff against the Defendants.

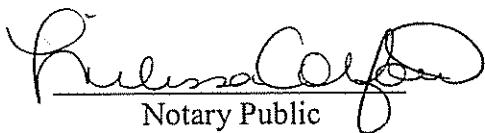
7. To the extent this application for an Order appointing a special process server with respect to this attachment and garnishment does not involve a restraint of physical property, there is no need to require that the service be effected by the Marshal as it simply involves delivery of the process to the respect of the garnishee(s).

8. Plaintiff also requests that the Court grant it leave to serve any additional garnishee(s) who may be discovered in the course of this litigation to be holding property of the Defendants, or either of them, within this District. By obtaining leave at this time to serve these other possible garnishees, it will facilitate prompt service of the Process without the need to return to the Court for permission to amend the process simply to name other garnishees.

9. In addition, and to avoid the need to repetitively serve the garnishees/banking institutions, Plaintiff respectfully seeks leave, as embodied in the accompanying order, for any process served on a garnishee to be deemed effective and continuous throughout any given day on which process is served up through the next day, to authorize service by facsimile or email following an initial service of the process by hand, and to deem such facsimile or email service as being accomplished within this District if such service is transmitted or initiated from within the District.

  
Michael E. Unger

Sworn to before me this  
9th day of July, 2007

  
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Notary Public

**MELISSA COLFORD**  
Commissioner of Deeds  
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